

INFANT PLAGUE HITS OKLAHOMA

ABOLISH ALLEYS, MAYOR SAYS, TO GET CLEANLINESS

Overholser Would Have No Passages Behind Houses In Residence Section.

MOUNTED INSPECTORS TO COVER WHOLE TERRITORY

Property-Owners' Consent Only Necessity to Accomplish Plan, Official Says.

Mayor Overholser put forth a suggested solution to the "alley problem" this morning, following a report which showed that Oklahoma City's alleys were not as clean as they should be. "The solution I offer," said Mr. Overholser, "is first to do away with all alleys in the residential section. There are absolutely unnecessary; that is the reason they are used as a dumping ground. They will find that in the very best parts of the residence district of Oklahoma City alleys have been abolished and the result has been a betterment of property and a decided betterment of sanitary conditions."

Necessary Downtown.
"Alleys are necessary only in the business district where they are used for freight transfer and as a fire prevention precaution. In these places wherever there are alleys, two mounted inspectors can cover the entire territory. There then should be a fine of \$25 provided for those who persist in dumping filth into the alleys."

"To abolish them in the residence district is easy, and is dependent on the interest which the residents themselves may take. It is necessary to secure the consent of every property owner in each block. Officials then are to be notified and light poles and sewer arrangements will be made. Then all there is to do is to shove the two back fences together and the alley is gone."

Back Yards Are Gardens.

In blocks where this system prevails the back yards are as neat as the front, and the alleys being transformed into flower gardens.

The only apparently awkward situation here is the disposal of garbage, which is done at a certain hour each day by a common arrangement among residents of the block with a garbage hauler.

CHAMBER BEGINS CRUSADE TO GET U. S. LAND BANK

Reorganized Body Expected to Push Campaign; Brown Wires to Senator.

One of the first acts of the reorganized Chamber of Commerce of Oklahoma City will be to inaugurate an organized movement to secure bringing one of the twelve land banks, to be established under the terms of the new rural credits measure, to Oklahoma City.

The farm loan bill was signed yesterday by President Wilson, and in a letter to Hubert L. Brown, collector of internal revenue, Senator Robert L. Owen, one of the sponsors of the new measure, has made the statement that this city probably would be considered favorably for one of the banks.

Telegram to Owen.

A telegram, in consequence, was sent to Senator Owen this morning by Elmer E. Brown, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, urging selection of this city if possible.

At a meeting of the newly-elected board of directors of the chamber to be held tomorrow at noon the project probably will also be broached. Following this meeting it is possible that a mass meeting of the entire membership will be held and plans made for a definite campaign.

Bank a Big Asset.

"A land bank such as will be established under the rural credits act would employ scores of people and prove of incalculable value to this city for the reason that farmers of the state would come here to secure money on their farms," said Mr. Brown.

"The city and state generally would also be benefited for the reason that agricultural development, which has been hindered in the past through inability of farmers to secure funds, would begin immediately with its establishment."

AMBASSADOR



Abram Elkus.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—Abram Elkus of New York was nominated by President Wilson today as ambassador to Turkey to succeed Henry Morgenthau, who retired to become chairman of the finance committee of the democratic national committee.

Mr. Elkus is 50 years old and was born and educated in New York City, where he began practicing law in 1888. He has been prominent at the bar. He has been one of the leaders of the American Jewry.

State Guards' Baggage Put Aboard Cars

No Sleepers for Regiment; to Leave Today on Journey To Border Station.

BY PAUL COTTRELL, Staff Correspondent.

MOBILIZATION CAMP, FORT SILL, Okla., July 18.—Heavy baggage of the Oklahoma national guard is loaded.

Cars for the men of one battalion are on the siding, but none will move until all can entrain.

Sleeping cars are not available, it developed today.

Officers and men will ride in day coaches as Colonel Hoffman will accept no comforts his men cannot have.

Dry Leaders' Plan For Fusion Fails

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 18.—John M. Parker's rallying cry to the surviving progressives and his call issued last Saturday for a new national convention in Chicago August 3 was blamed by prohibition leaders here today for the collapse of their plans for a "get-together" conference at which they had hoped to enroll as members of their organization scores of men who have been prominent in the progressive republican and democratic parties.

Instead of a get-together event, the meeting became a prohibition love feast and revival service.

Mercury Leaping Gaps Toward Top

LOCAL FORECAST—Generally fair and continued warm tonight and Wednesday.

STATE FORECAST—Tonight and Wednesday probably clear.

ARKANSAS AND WEST TEXAS—Partly cloudy.

KANSAS—Generally fair tonight and Wednesday.



"Zimmie"

BIG GUNS BEGIN ASSAULT ALONG SALONIKI FRONT

Cannonading Reported in Progress on Whole Line at Green Frontier.

BRITISH DRIVE NEW HOLE IN GERMAN LINES

Make Substantial Progress North of Ovillers on Half-Mile Front.

PARIS, July 18.—Official advice received from Saloniki under date of Monday says that cannonading is in progress along the entire Saloniki front.

LONDON, July 18.—Following up their successes near Hazentin, La Perle and Longueval where they have driven close to the third line of German defense on the Albert plateau, the British now have carried out a new thrust forward north of Ovillers, making substantial progress along a front of more than half a mile.

The German version of the attack is contained in the official statement issued at Berlin today which says that heavy attacks last night by the British against positions on the Somme front and positions to the east were repulsed, as were attacks by the French at La Maisonnette, Barleux and Courcelette.

French Repulse Germans.
In an attack last night on the French lines on the Somme region the Germans were repulsed with heavy losses.

In the Verdun region there has been further activity. The French fire broke up a German raid on Hill 304 west of Meuse, while grenade fighting on the eastern bank of the river reaching to the French, according to the Paris report.

Belgian troops have won an important success in German East Africa, dispersing a German force near Lake Victoria and reaching at two points the shore of the lake in the northern part of the colony.

Russian Attack Halted.

The complete repulse of Russia attacks in the region southwest of Lutsk was announced today by the Berlin war office. South and southeast of Riga the Russians continued their strong offensive but their assaults broke down before the German lines or were repulsed by counterattacks where the German trenches had penetrated.

SENTENCE COMMUTED, FORTY TO TEN YEARS

The criminal court of appeals Tuesday morning commuted the sentence of C. W. Maddox of Cloud Chief from forty years to ten years in the state penitentiary. Maddox is now at McAlester serving his sentence. He was convicted of murder of Templeton Elam, a rancher of near Cloud Chief, following argument over the grazing of cattle. Judge Brett was disqualified by virtue of being Maddox's counsel, and his place on the bench was taken by Judge Collier.

SECOND PRISONER FREED; HUMANITY COURT'S REASON

Burt Burselson, Police Character, III, Reported as Chained to Tree.

On account of an abscess in his side which incapacitated him from work on the county roads, Burt Burselson, notorious police character, was freed by the criminal court of appeals this morning.

Burselson is the second of the "99-90" cases from the municipal court which have been reversed within a week. Burselson, who has been constantly in the police limelight since 1908, was convicted July 10 for selling morphine. Officers declared he was one of the most dangerous criminals in the state. He has a police record in Wichita, Kan., and has served a year in the Grant's reformatory.

Testimony at the habeas corpus hearing Tuesday showed that Burselson had been forced to work with the county road gang of city and county prisoners until he had fainted, and that he then had been chained to a tree for safe keeping.

"It was not a question of much," declared Judge Doyle in commenting on the case, "of the prisoner's guilt or innocence. He was in no condition to work. He should have been in a hospital. Officials must learn to treat prisoners in a humane way."

Would Live Long? Starve Yourself, Advises Professor

CHICAGO, July 18.—Occasional periods of starvation, say once or twice a year, in the case of healthy adult persons, may not only add to the joy of living, but also to the length of life, according to Prof. Anton J. Carlson, hunger expert of the University of Chicago. At least the professor is so quoted in a statement here today.

"Civilized man," he said, "has traveled far from the conditions of life among animals and primitive man, with whom starvation periods were and are not uncommon."

The professor declares voluntary starvation is in no sense a heroic act.

CASEMENT PLEA DISMISSED BY APPEAL COURT

Sentence of Death Upheld Without Hearing Arguments of Crown.

LONDON, July 18.—Without hearing the attorneys for the crown, the court of criminal appeal today dismissed Sir Roger Casement's appeal from the sentence of the lower court, which found him guilty of treason for which Newcourt Reading, the lord chief justice, sentenced him to death.

For a day and a half Alexander Salsbery, Sir Roger's counsel, argued before the court, quoting many authorities in favor of his contention that the offense of treason depends on whether the accused dwelt under the protection of the king and that the crime could not be committed without the result.

A further appeal to the house of lords is possible only if the attorney general gives a certificate that the decision of the court of criminal appeal involves a point of law so exceptionally important that it is desirable in the public interest that a still higher court should deal with it.

Attorney Michael Francis Doyle of Philadelphia if counsel for Sir Roger said powerful influences are working for a reprieve.

FOUR MORE DEAD IN FLOOD; TOTAL NOW IS NINETEEN

Complete Reports, May Increase Estimates of Property Damage.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., July 18.—Four more deaths were added to the North Carolina toll today, making a total of nineteen. A telephone message from Brevard said that John Heath and his mother and Mrs. Caldwell Santelle and her child died today from injuries suffered from a landslide four miles from Brevard.

Flood waters throughout the stricken districts of North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia were receding today and latest reports indicated the property loss will continue to grow when towns and counties now cut off from communication are heard from. The first estimates of \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 damage probably may be increased.

Railroads apparently have suffered far more than was at first realized. Reports from western North Carolina are that some lines there will have to be almost entirely rebuilt.

Measures for the relief of passengers on trains marooned near Asheville were taken today, automobiles being employed to carry the passengers to the nearest cities where they can be properly fed and housed.

Canal Zone's Population 31,018.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—The canal zone's population is 31,018, said a consular report received today giving a census just taken by the police and fire division. American residents number 14,826.

The Want Ads

In the paper today are there solely for YOU to read.

If you do YOUR part, the Ads will do theirs.

Test Them

Negro "Prophet of God" Battles Chicago Police; Six Lives Fight's Toll

Fanatic Holds Besiegers at Bay an Hour, Aim Proving Deadly Until He and His Wife Are Killed, Bearing Reports to Almighty.

CHICAGO, July 18.—At 11 A. M. today a Negro, religious fanatic, became mad and began today killing his own wife and wounded three others with a rifle before the police, whom he held at bay for an hour, killed him and his wife.

In all Mr. McIntyre's hallucinations that he would carry "his report to the almighty" may be true.

His death was a tragedy, but it was at 121 North Irving avenue. The police found an explanation of McIntyre's death in a note which he left attached in leaden on a scolded piece of brown wrapping paper.

Aided by Wife.
Mr. McIntyre's wife is supposed to have assisted him at least to the extent of reloading his weapon as a cartridge belt was found around her waist similar to the one worn by her husband.

STUART DEAN, 60 years old, 1750 Michigan street, was shot.

MRS. JOSEPHINE OVERMEYER, 28 years old, neighbor, shot in breast.

EDWARD KNOX, 34 years old, neighbor, shot in chest.

ALFRED MATTHEWS, 40 years old, negro, neighbor, found dead on foot, shot on porch at his home.

H. J. MCINTYRE, 30 years old, negro, neighbor, shot by police, died in hospital.

MRS. HATTIE MCINTYRE, 30 years old, negro, wife of crazed man, head blown off.

The injured:

Edward Clement, detective sergeant, 4 years old, three bullet wounds, serious.

Herbert McCre, policeman, 27 years old, wounds to wrist and elbow, not serious.

Savior of All Africans.
At this place in the record the negro wrote three capital "C's" and the initials "P. H."

"The Lord has made me the savior of all Africans of America and now I shall recommend all that are worthy unto my heavenly father, the great God of all creation. The Lord has given me a spirit to judge the quick and the dead."

"I must die in this land that I may carry reports unto Almighty God concerning the land of the United States."

In the opinion of Police Captain Wesley Westbrock, McIntyre wrote the letter just before becoming violent, although he had opportunity to do so during talks in fighting.

Baricaded Behind Trunk.
Frank Freeman, a policeman, told this story of the fight.

"Stuart Dean was shot when he entered the building after breaking down a rear door. I and four other policemen were with him but he was the first to enter. He was shot and killed the instant he crossed the threshold. Clement and Crabtree were shot when they entered to recover Dean's body. Both fell and we had to go in and get the three of them."

"The crazy negro was baricaded behind a trunk and other articles when we came in. He had a rifle and a revolver and fired rapidly."

Considered Him Queer.
Mrs. Knox gave this version:

"I was awakened by shouts and screams," she said. "I awakened my husband and we found that the screams came from a woman at McIntyre's home. We went out on my porch, my husband in front and at that moment a bullet struck him and he fell dead. I started back into the house to warn my niece who was still in bed. That's the last I remember but I know that a bullet hit me in the back."

Mrs. Knox said that neighbors for some months had considered McIntyre queer. His actions at times became so strange that the police were called, but his offenses were not considered serious enough to warrant arrest.

HAMLIN KEEPS SEAT ON RESERVE BOARD

Charles S. Hamlin, Washington, July 18.—Charles S. Hamlin, governor of the federal reserve board, will be nominated as a member of the board when his term expires next month.

Administration officials allowed this to become known today by way of denial of reports that Secretary McAdoo would quit the cabinet to take Governor Hamlin's place. Mr. Hamlin will be re-nominated for a ten year term. Whether he will be redesignated as chairman lies with President Wilson.



BABY AT MANGUM FIRST VICTIM OF DREAD SCOURGE

Three-Year-Old Girl at Reed Attacked by Infantile Paralysis.

STATE PUTS STRICT QUARANTINE IN EFFECT

Daughter of Will Tidwell Taken Sick Week Ago, Paralyzed Sunday.

MANGUM, Okla., July 18.—The first case of infantile paralysis discovered in Oklahoma was reported to the state board of health today from Mangum by Dr. H. H. Hays, health officer for Greer county. The epidemic was taken by three-year-old daughter of Will Tidwell of Reed, thirty miles from Mangum. The girl was taken sick a week ago and Saturday set in paralysis. Her arms are partly paralyzed and her legs completely paralyzed.

Dr. Orders Quarantine.

Immediately after Dr. John W. Dukes, state health commissioner at Guthrie, had been informed of the case, he ordered the Tidwell home placed under the strictest quarantine and every preventive measure possible taken to prevent the spread of the disease which has killed 500 children in New York City, sent frightened thousands to their innocent babies suffering to the country, and injured the mothers and fathers of the whole United States.

Two Doctors Agree.

Dr. L. E. Pearson was first called to attend the Tidwell girl. He became suspicious when the baby's eyeballs crossed and set when a rigidity in the neck developed, he summoned Dr. Dukes. Both agreed Monday that the case was infantile paralysis and went to work to defeat it. In spite of their efforts, the little limbs became rigid and useless Sunday.

CROPS DESTROYED BY GRASSHOPPERS IN WOODS COUNTY

The state board of agriculture was appealed to this morning by the commissioners of Woods county for help in ridding that district of grasshoppers and other insects which were reported to be rapidly destroying crops.

President Gault immediately took up the matter and it is likely that an expert from the Wildlife and Game commission will be sent to Woods county to make investigation and decide what can be done to remove the pests.

Extent of the damage done was not reported to the board.

SHERIFF ORDERED BY GOVERNOR TO PREVENT RIOTING

Danger of Workers' Clash at Sand Springs Lessening, Official Says.

Governor Williams today received word from Sheriff James Woolley of Tulsa that little danger now appears of serious trouble between American smelter workers at Sand Springs, an industrial suburb of Tulsa, and Spaniards who had been driven from their homes.

Reports had reached the chief executive's office to the effect that the Spaniards were arming themselves and planning to attack Sand Springs.

To Take Necessary Steps.

The governor instructed Sheriff Woolley to take any steps necessary to prevent a clash and to keep the smelter's office informed of any important developments. The sheriff was directed to advise in as many deputies as might be needed.

Governor Williams received a message from Spanish Consul Duce at New Orleans asking that the interests of the Spanish subjects be safeguarded.

Chased Out of Town.

The Spaniards, who had been employed at a smelter at Sand Springs, were chased from the town Saturday night. They were not given time to gather their belongings.

Race feeling resulting from the dispute with Mexico and general prejudice against cheap foreign labor were given as reasons for the action of the American smelter workers and others who took part in the attack.

Telephone Discussion.

Governor Williams and Sheriff Woolley discussed the situation over long distance phone this morning.

The governor said he did not consider it "serious." The Spaniards are still in Tulsa, but have been advised to leave.